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Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Office Action of July 23, 2008, applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** containing PTO-892 reference forms from related applications (Appendix A) and a certified true translation of German Patent Application No. 102 60 739.7 (Appendix B) is attached following page 14 of this paper.